

FPC Calendar for the week of February 11 - 18, 2018

(Also visit <http://www.fpcdavenport.org/Calendar.html>)

Sunday, February 11; *Transfiguration of the Lord; Scout Sunday*

8:15 AM Manna and More - Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor CE Building
10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
10:10 AM ACE Von Maur Hall Series: *When Christians Get It Wrong* - Von Maur Hall
10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - Third Floor CE Building
10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307
11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:15 PM Organist Search Committee Meeting - Parlor
4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Choir Room
4:45 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
5:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

Monday, February 12

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
5:30 PM Deacons' Executive Committee - Von Maur Hall
6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105
6:30 PM Deacons' Outreach - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development - Parlor
7:00 PM Mission Connection - Von Maur Hall
7:30 PM Board of Deacons - Von Maur Hall

Tuesday, February 13

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
4:30 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting - Finance Office
5:00 PM Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Parlor

Wednesday, February 14; *Ash Wednesday*

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary
12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
1:00 PM Compassion and Choices - Parlor
3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
4:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall
5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - IN RECESS
6:15 PM Matin Bells - Rehearsal - Chapel
6:15 PM Bible Basics - IN RECESS
6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - IN RECESS
7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary
7:15 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, February 15

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
3:00 PM Boys and Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel
6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, February 16

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
5:30 PM Reception for Ahreum Han Congdon - Thunder Bay Grille, Davenport

Saturday, February 17

10:00 AM PUNCH Meeting - First Christian Church, Davenport
7:30 PM Performing Arts Series: Artist in Residence Concert - Ahreum Han Congdon - Sanctuary

Sunday, February 18; *First Sunday in Lent; Food Pantry Sunday*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor CE Building
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CARING FOR FPC & OUR COMMUNITY

Paper Hearts for February

Paper Hearts



February is the month for love. Show your love for others in the community and help the Deacons Outreach Committee with the Paper Hearts drive. Toilet paper, something we all take for granted, is the #1 item that the shelters lack. Beginning February 1, you can bring new packages of toilet paper to Fellowship Hall. Our goal this year is 2,000 rolls! The Deacons will be collecting all month and on March 1 will take everything to Humility of Mary for distribution to their shelters. Show a stranger some love this month by donating toilet paper.

Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 PM



Attention crocheters and knitters...prayer shawls are symbolic of God's presence during our times of need, and the congregation's love and support. The group meets monthly in the church parlor to socialize while we create and anyone with an interest in knitting or crocheting a shawl is invited. If you are unavailable to meet, feel free to make shawls as your time allows and drop them off at the church office.

Sacred Heart Food Pantry - Sunday, February 18



Food items collected will be donated to the Sacred Heart Food Pantry at *The Center*. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please mark your check or giving envelope "Food Pantry". You may also bring your contribution to the church office through the week.

SMALL GROUP CONNECTION

Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM

February 14 - *in recess*

Bible Basic will be in recess on February 14, Ash Wednesday. The discussion on February 21 will be on the story of Joshua and the walls of Jericho (Joshua, Chapters 1-6). Please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com, 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607) for more information.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, February 11, 2018

The announcements that follow inform you of various First Presbyterian Church ministries, programs, and events to which you are invited. Please save this publication; take it home and keep it for easy reference.

Scout Sunday - Today

At FPC, we annually observe Scout Sunday on the second Sunday of February. If you are a member of the Cub Scouts, Boy Scout, or Girl Scouts, please feel welcome to wear your Scouting Uniform to church on Scout Sunday, and be recognized, during the service, along with the other Scouts in attendance.

Manna and More Breakfast - Today, 8:15 - 10:30 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends before and after the 9:00 AM service. There will be pancakes with chocolate chips, red hots and cherries; sausage, fruit, and assorted beverages. Adults - \$3, children (12 and under) - \$1.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Tuesday, February 13, 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Come enjoy a delicious supper of pancakes, sausage and applesauce before Lent, on Shrove Tuesday, also known as Fat Tuesday. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. .

Ash Wednesday - February 14, services at 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday is a day of solemn assembly. It is a day for fasting, a day of mourning for our sin and the sin of all humanity before God, a recognition of our mortality saved for the grace of God and a request that the Lord remember our creation and breathe new life into our burned-out lives. It marks the beginning of our Lenten journey to remembering God's love for us in Jesus Christ.

Celebrate Ahreum Han Congdon's Seven Years of Devoted Ministry

Friday, February 16, 5:30-7:30 PM, Thunder Bay Grille



You are invited to us celebrate Ahreum's seven years of devoted ministry. A drop-in style party will be held at Thunder Bay Grille (6511 N. Brady St.) on Friday, February 16, from 5:30-7:30 PM. Appetizers will be provided. The church will be collecting a purse for her. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and note "Ahreum Han Congdon purse" on the memo line. As a reminder, Ahreum's PAS concert is Saturday, February 17 at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$15/adults and \$10/students. Additionally, there will be a cake reception for Ahreum between services on Sunday, February 18.

Financial Update

As we strive to be transparent with the congregation, on behalf of Session, here is a financial update for 2017 and 2018:

- Our financial results for 2017 operations were very good: The bottom line was a surplus of over \$24,000.
- As of January 31, we are very close to balancing our 2018 budget of almost \$1 million. We are within \$14,000 of achieving that goal.
- Two important 2018 budget notes:
 - Resources for the Associate Pastor compensation for three years and relocation costs are paid from a separate fund.
 - The Foundation has made a grant for search and relocation costs for Ahreum's replacement as Organist/Assistant Director of Music.
- On February 19, members of Session will be asked to approve a budget for 2018. Our policy and practice have been to approve a budget where income exceeds expenses. Again, we are within \$14,000 of achieving a balanced budget.
- With this information, we invite you, the members of our church family, to help balance the 2018 budget. This can be accomplished by increasing your 2018 pledge or by pledging for the first time. We appreciate your consideration.

CONGREGATION NEWS

FPC Calls Rev. Katie Styrk as Associate Pastor

At the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 28, FPC members voted to call Rev. Katie Styrk as Associate Pastor. Pastor Katie's planned start date is the end of April. Katie grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska. She attended the University of Chicago, where she met her husband Philip in a theater class, and got her Masters of Divinity from Louisville Theological Presbyterian Seminary. In their spare time, Philip and Katie enjoy playing board games, baking, and trying (unsuccessfully) to teach their old dog new tricks. Philip currently teaches composition to college freshmen while Katie serves as a part-time associate pastor and a part-time solo pastor at two churches in Rochester, New York. One of her current congregations is joining with another church in early April, and so she hopes to shepherd them through this transition and then move to Davenport in mid-April. Her favorite part of ministry is usually sharing communion, although mission trips are a close second.



Per Capita - \$34 per member

Each year First Church is assessed a per capita contribution by the Presbytery. This year it is \$34 per member. A member is one who has been confirmed or has been welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. Please use a Per Capita envelope from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, bring it to the church office, or pay online.

Annual Congregational Meeting - Sunday, February 25, 10:00 AM

Each year the church sets aside time for the Annual Congregational Meeting and encourages every member to attend. Typically, an annual meeting may consider such business as hearing reports from the Session or selected committees of Session, a report from the Board of Deacons and other organizations of the church, and transacting any other business as appropriate.

Chancel Guild Announces Changes in Chancel Flower Sign Up Procedures

The Chancel Guild would like to announce procedures for members of the congregation to order flowers. A sign up calendar will be in Fellowship Hall. Choose your date, then sign your name and telephone number. You will then be responsible for ordering your flowers for that date. The flowers must be delivered to the church the Friday morning before that date. Flowers can be for any celebration or memorial: birthdays, weddings, baptisms, anniversaries, graduations, etc. Contact the church office (office @fpcdavenport.org) no later than the Tuesday morning before the Sunday date if you want to put it in the bulletin. A list of instructions will be at the calendar sign up.

MISSION CONNECTION

Go to Guatemala!

The 2018 trip to visit ILUGUA (Lutheran Church of Guatemala) is scheduled for May 19-26. This is an opportunity to get a firsthand view of ILUGUA's outreach to rural communities and perhaps even an opportunity to deepen your own faith in the process. This is not a work trip—given the resources, Guatemalans are more than capable of doing physical labor—but rather a trip of accompaniment, support and solidarity with our fellow Christians. The total cost is estimated between \$1,500 and \$2,000 (dependent on flight availability) but a grant fund is available through the Mission Connection committee of Deacons for those who need funding assistance. For more information, contact Craig Foster (563-391-4622, cfoster871@mchsi.com).



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT and EPIC - Sundays, 5:30 PM

There is no youth group tonight due to a fabulous (and late!) Trivia event last night! Catch up on homework. **There is, however, still choir tonight for middle and high school youth!**

Kirkwood Club - Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Please note: There is no Kirkwood Club, for first through fifth grades, this week because Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. All families are invited to attend our Ash Wednesday Service.

Order Your FPC T-shirt or Sweatshirt Today!

A sign-up sheet is located on a table in the back of the sanctuary.



Davenport Food Pantry Volunteers

Tuesday, February 27, 4:00 PM



Our next evening of volunteering at the Davenport Food pantry is set for Tuesday, February 27 from 4:00-8:00 PM. If you are able to serve the community on this date, please let Tiffany know. We have space available for 20 volunteers who want to make a difference.



Thank You for Making Trivia Night a HUGE Success!

A HUGE "Thank-you" to everyone who showed up, donated, volunteered or played trivia last night at our fundraiser for our mission trip this summer! It was an amazing evening and would not have been possible without each of you!!! Again -- THANK YOU!!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Gift Card Sales Table - Sunday, February 18



The Sanctuary Choir is selling gift cards to help fund the June 2018 Music Outreach trip to Germany. Gift cards make perfect, easy, and convenient gifts. We have cards ready for purchase to retailers such as Amazon.com, Starbucks, Target, Cinemark, Old Navy, TJ Maxx, and Village Inn; additionally, we can order gift cards to hundreds more retailers easily. We hope you will consider helping out by participating in this stress-free fundraiser.

QCA Visiting Artist Series: Tesla Quartet

Saturday, March 10, 7:30 PM

Tickets: \$15 adults, \$10 students

Praised for their "superb capacity to find the inner heart of everything they play, regardless of era, style or technical demand" (The International Review of Music), the Tesla Quartet brings refinement and prowess to both new and established repertoire. Dubbed "technically superb" by the Strad, the Tesla Quartet recently took Second Prize as well as the Haydn Prize and Canadian Commission Prize at the 12th Banff String Quartet Competition. The Quartet has also garnered top prizes at numerous other international competitions, including the Gold Medal at the 2012 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

ACE Von Maur Hall Series - Sundays, 10:00 AM

Today - When Christians Get It Wrong!: "When Bad Things Happen"

"It is God's will. We don't always understand God's greater plan." Have you been told or accepted these statements?



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February 18 - In recess for Ahreum's reception between services

February 25 - In recess for Congregational Meeting

March 4, 11, 18 - *Final Words from the Cross*

This series examines Christ's dying hours and his final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. It's an inspiring way to deepen our faith during Lent.

February 25 - *Jesus' Death and Resurrection*

Philip Yancey presents *Jesus' Death and Resurrection* through movie clips. Join your friends for this special Palm Sunday presentation.

FELLOWSHIP

Between The Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, February 19, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? Join the BTC book club on Monday, February 19 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Bev Koos will lead our discussion of the book, *The Boston Girl*, by Anita Diamant. Please call hostess Carol Phoenix (563-332-0980) to RSVP.

Socializers - Saturday, February 24, 6:00 PM

If you like good food and fellowship plus an interesting, informative presentation, mark your calendars to come to Socializers! Bring a dish to share at our potluck, and friends and neighbors as all are welcome. Our speaker will be meteorologist Cedric Haynes, who joined *KWQC's First Alert Team* in November 2017. Cedric has spent most of his life in the south, but is excited to experience a true midwestern winter! In addition to his fascination with weather which led him to his career path, Cedric is passionate about giving back to the community. He is an active member of his church, a strong supporter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and loves mentoring youth.



Tiffany Window Immersion Tour to Dubuque

Saturday, March 24, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Join our Travel Fellowship to learn how First Presbyterian of Davenport and St. Luke's Methodist Church in Dubuque are artistically and historically connected. St. Luke's is home to the fifth largest collection of Tiffany Windows in the United States. Every window in the church is a unique work of art and all were created by Louis Comfort Tiffany in New York. We start out the morning with a coach tour of historic Dubuque led by a professional guide from Travel Dubuque. You will learn the stories behind the city's architecture and of the influential families and religious leaders who set the scene for its growth and prosperity in the 1800's. This will be followed by a guided tour of St. Luke's Methodist where our docent will share the significance of its many Tiffany treasures. After our church tour, we plan to sample wine at the Stone Cliff Winery (www.stonecliffwinery.com) followed by a lunch break. The winery is housed in the historic Star Brewery building overlooking the Mississippi. If time permits group members will have time to explore downtown before heading back to the Quad Cities. Invite your friends who might be interested in First Presbyterian as their new church home to join you. Register on the church website (www.fpcdavenport.org) for \$49 per person with a minimum group participation of 25 to reserve a bus. Registration is non-refundable, but transferable. Committee member, Linda Meadors (309-912-4888) will be able to answer questions from February 11 onward. Confirmation letters will be mailed two weeks in advance of the tour. Final date to register is Friday, March 16 or when the tour is filled.

